Flt. No.	Route	Seat Occupancy (Seat Factor %)		
		1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
861/862	Delhi/Ahmedabad	—	60.7	96.0
867/868	Delhi/Goa/Trivandrum	—	70.8	—
889/890	Delhi/Guwahati	—	68.6	48.0
903/904	Madras/Bangalore	—	80.7	—
905/906	Madras/Bangalore	—	30.7	—
915/916	Bangalore/Hyderabad	—	86.4	74.8
917/918	Madras/Hyderabad	—	73.8	69.8
919/920	Hyderabad/Bombay	—	—	84.6
927/928	Hyderabad/Bombay	—	—	69.6
939/940	Madras/Hyderabad	—	76.7	60.9

Import of Penicillin

4488. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have liberalised its economic policies;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether C.C.I & E. is forcing units to lift indigenous penicillin from Public Sector Units at three times of international price before being issued import licence for 50 per cent at nil rate of customs duty for manufacuture of semi Synthetic Penicillin;

(d) what are the reasons that fiscal measures are not taken into account by way of customs duties, Exim Scrips to boost production in view of liberalised conditions; and

(e) what is the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (e) The new Export and Import Policy effective from April, 1992 is under formulation. It is premature to furnish any details thereof at this stage.

Import of Writing Instruments

4489. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the imports of writing instruments and Hi-tech pen points being made by India's largest manufacture of writing instruments M/s. Luxer Pen Company, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi and Foreign Exchange involved/incurred during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether Government have ascertained that import made by the said company is in order;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether Government propose to ascertain that the items which company has imported from hard currency areas are available at half the price from rupees payment area countries; and

(e) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (e) Import of Hi-tech points is permitted under OGL. Information regarding imports by an individual Company is neither collected nor maintained in the Ministry of Commerce.

Earning of foreign exchange through export of cars

4490. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the approximate amount of foreign exchange earned through export of cars during last three years year-wise;

(b) whether Government have received any fresh order for cars export;

(c) if so, what are the names of the countries to which cars are proposed to be exported during the year 1992-93; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to increase to export of cars?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The approximate value of export of cars during the last three years was as under:—

year	Value (Rs. in Crores)
1988-89	6.82
1989-90	17.04
1990-91	22.80
1991-92 (April-December, 1991)	107.35

(Source: EEPC)

(b) and (c) M/s. Maruti Udyog Ltd., as on date, have orders for exports of car during 1992-93 to Italy, Australia, Bangladesh, Nepal, Portugal, Mauritius, South Pacific Island, Sri Lanka.

(d) Promotion of exports has been the constant endeavour of the Government. Various steps taken by the Governemnt to assist the export of cars include:

(i) making available inputs for export production at international price under the Duty Exemption Scheme and International Price Reimbursement Scheme;

(ii) Provision for import of capital goods for export production at concessional import duty in lieu of an export obligation;

(iii) assistance from Marketing Development Fund for participation abroad in fairs, buyer-seller meets and other export promotional measures;

(iv) provision for partial compensation of high premium of product liability insurance to cover product liability of exports to developed markets;

(v) making available through EXIM Bank deferred credit and lines of credit to various countries to facilitate exports;

(vi) exemption of whole of income derived from export from levy of income tax.

The EXIM Scrips introduced by the Government in 1991 and the provision of convertibility of 60% of export earnings at market rates of exchange introduced in the recent budget also provide incentives for export. The readjustment of the exchange rate of the rupee vis-a-vis major currencies of the world have made the export prices of cars internationally more competitive.